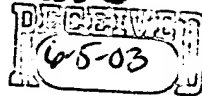


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated December 4, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-3, 7, 8, 14, 18, 22-24, 28, 29, 35 and 39 have been amended as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of entering formatted electronic ink data provided in association with a user on a handwriting system, the method comprising the steps of:
- positioning one or more pieces of writing medium to substantially overlay at least a portion of a digitizing surface associated with the handwriting system;
- physically entering handwritten data on the one or more pieces of writing medium using a stylus associated with the handwriting system such that, substantially simultaneous therewith, the electronic ink data representing the physically entered handwritten data is entered at the digitizing surface;